

1-1-.1109 Vehicle Requirements -for Commercial Driver's License Skills Test- Amended

1. No ~~commercial driver's license~~ CDL skills test shall be given in a vehicle loaded with cargo.
2. The vehicle shall be furnished by the applicant and must~~will~~ have a safe passenger seat for the ~~e~~Examiner.
- ~~2-3.~~ The vehicle shall be insured pursuant to Georgia law.
4. The vehicle shall have a vehicle identification number (VIN), manufacturer's VIN plate, data plate, vehicle title, or bill of sale.~~applicant must have a letter from the manufacturer containing the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) for the vehicle.~~ The GVWR will be checked to ensure that the vehicle in which the applicant takes the skills test is representative of the vehicle group the applicant intend~~expects~~ to operate.
- ~~3.~~ (a) If the vehicle(s) GVWR/GCWR cannot be verified by one of the approved methods, the driver may be required to reschedule and obtain another vehicle(s) with a verifiable GVWR/GCWR.
- ~~4-5.~~ All vehicles used in skills testing must be in safe operating condition. Any defects in the following items will constitute an unsafe vehicle and will disqualify the vehicle from being utilized in the skills test.
 1. Service Brakes, including trailer brake connection;
 2. Parking Brake;
 3. Steering mechanisms;
 4. Lighting Devices and mechanisms;
 5. Tires:
 1. Must have at least 4/32 of an inch of tread on front tires; and
 2. Must have at least 2/32 of an inch of tread on all other tires;
 6. Horn;
 7. Windshield;
 8. Windshield wipers;
 9. Coupling Devices
 10. Rear vision mirrors;
 11. Wheel and Rims;
 12. Emergency equipment;
 13. Doors;
 14. Exhaust System;
 15. Frame;
 16. Fuel Tank;
6. The Sskills test will be administered in the sequence~~given in order~~ as determined by FMCSA~~of increasing difficulty.~~
- 5-7. Skills testing will be in accordance with, and based upon, applicable Federal and State law, as well as the most current version of the Department CDL driver's manual.

- 6.8. _____ The ~~S~~skills test may be given in all weather conditions; provided the weather creates no hazard for the applicant or the ~~e~~Examiner.
- 7.9. _____ Prior to the skills test, being administered, the applicant must pay a \$50.00 testing fee for each attempt. If the test is administered by the state and the applicant has a veterans' status on their Georgia driver's license the fee is waived (~~veterans that served during wartime and veterans that honorably served outside of wartime or a military conflict where the President committed troops~~) as defined. If the test is administered by a CDL Third Party Tester the fee may not exceed \$100 provided the applicant supplies his or her own ~~commercial motor vehicle~~ CMV or a fee not to exceed \$150 if the Tester supplies the vehicle for testing purposes.
- 8.10. _____ Skills tests taken in a vehicles that does not operate fully on air -brakes will result in the CDL~~commercial driver's license~~ being issued with an air brakes 'Without Air Brakes' restriction. _____
- 9.11. _____ Tests taken in a vehicles with automatic transmission will result in a 'No mManual tTransmission eEquipped CMV' restriction being placed on the CDL.
- 10.12. _____ Tests taken in a truck trailer combinations will result in a 'No tTractor tTrailer CMV' restriction being placed on the CDL.
- 11.13. _____ Tests taken in a vehicle that hasve air over hydraulic brakes will result in a 'No fFull aAir bBrake' restriction being placed on the CDL.
- 12.14. _____ Tests taken in a Class B passenger vehicle will result in a 'No Class A pPassenger bBuses' restriction being placed on the CDL.
- 13.15. _____ Tests taken in a Class C passenger vehicle will result in a 'No Class A or Class B pPassenger bBuses' restriction being placed on the CDL.
14. Intrastate ~~commeree~~ only (Within a State and you do not meet any of the description for Interstate ~~commeree~~). ~~The cargo on the vehicle must have originated in the state and will not leave the state, driver is under the age of 21, or the driver does not meet the medical requirements to operate in interstate commeree and has been granted a medical variance that allows him/her to operate in intrastate.~~
15. Valid farm waiver (Restricted CDL for certain drivers in farm-related service industries)
1. ~~Agri-chemical businesses;~~
 2. ~~Custom harvesters;~~
 3. ~~Farm retail outlets and suppliers;~~
 4. ~~Livestock feeders.~~
 1. ~~Restricted CDL holders are limited to operating Class B and C vehicles. Restricted CDL holders may not hold an unrestricted CDL at the same time.~~
16. Medical variance (applicant requires state or federal waiver to meet medical requirements to operate ~~CMV~~).

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 40-5-156, 49 C.F.R. Part 383, 49 C.F.R. § 390.9.

SYNOPSIS

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES OF PROPOSED RULE

The purpose of this amendment is to review and update the Commercial Driver's Licensing rules.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED RULE

The proposed amendment removes the no longer used option of verifying the vehicle(s) GVWR/GCWR with a letter from the manufacturer containing the GVWR for the vehicle and adds the options of the vehicle identification number (VIN), manufacturer's VIN plate, vehicle title, or bill of sale. Information regarding the "Intrastate Commerce Only" and "Medical Variance" restrictions is moved to the new Commercial Driver's License Restrictions rule. Information regarding a Farm Related Service Industry Waiver for a restricted CDL is moved to the Commercial Driver's License Exemptions rule. The rule title and statutory authority are updated.